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THOSE TICKETS.

A few days ago The Republican tried to say something about the different tickets that were in the field in Chicago for drainage commissioners. There was the citizens' ticket, the democratic ticket, and we are reliably informed, a republican ticket. Looking over these three tickets, the South Water street people concluded that there was some good in the citizens' ticket, as it hoped that four of the commissioners would come from it. But it found some bad in this ticket, and made some sort of an insinuating argument to the effect that Judge Prendergast was a nigger in a woodpile. It could not understand how he should bring himself to give up a \$3,000 position for one that will pay only \$2,000. There is something in this action that strikes the patriot as an insane degree of foolishness. It is a democratic virtue that the heathen has not yet been able to comprehend. But it is probable that The Republican took a fling at Judge Prendergast because he was a democrat, and it would have done its heart good to see all that kind of men beaten on the citizens' ticket. But the judge got more votes than anybody else, and the South Water street folks can continue to wear the mourning they put on last November.

And those worthies are having a hard time of it. From everywhere comes the news of republican defeat and disaster. They are not even given time to change their mourning. They have worn the same garments for six weeks, and they had begun to hope that a wonderful fate would smile on them in the Chicago case. But how those hopes are now bathed in tears, it is a sort of last noble sob among the republican flock in the Chicago election; but what became of it we can't tell, as the final record makes no mention of it. Five good little republicans went out to hunt for votes, but came back with their pants full of mud. They are in hiding somewhere now, and nobody is trying to find them. They were the last ditch of the republican party in Cook county, and now then remain look like an aggregation of flies on New Year's day. Some of them will now have an opportunity to drop patriotism and go to sawing wood for a living.

But The Republican volunteered to give the democratic candidates a character. It said that they were all bad, and that those kind of candidates always are. Well, the people of Chicago thought that three of them were good enough to be elected commissioners, and the very weakest one of the five ran way ahead of the chosen republican ticket there was no sight. The voters concluded to put two of the democrats to watch the colony of republicans that was sent into exile.

Meanwhile the board of drainage commissioners will be composed of six democrats, all very fine men with correct ideas about political faith, and also three republicans who, for renouncing allegiance to their corrupt party, were properly rewarded with a seat on the board. These commissioners are to spend \$15,000,000 to \$20,000,000 in building the proposed drainage system. We can now rest assured that none of this money will be spent in securing votes for Senator Fairwell, or for the next chunk who runs for governor of Illinois on the republican ticket. The money will be used to build the drainage system, and 15,000 workmen will be allowed to vote the democratic ticket without fear of losing their jobs. All this looks like democratic victory, and it is to be hoped that The Republican will soon learn to take its suit of mourning. When the suit now on gets soiled it can be covered with another one. We shall try to furnish them as fast as demanded. The office on South Water had better be converted into an undertaker's establishment.

WEIGH THE EVIDENCE.

The Decatur quotes from an article in the Atlanta Constitution in which it said that Mr. Davis told a Dr. Craven that he was deeply convinced that the sword had

not settled the principles for which the confederates had contended. Commenting on this, The Despatch says:

"Not settled indeed! But it was only Jeff Davis the old croaker, as the democratic press of the north would say. Not so. Every young man in the south whose pride and prejudice have been appealed to in the public utterances of Davis and his devotees refuses to believe that the sword settled anything."

Here is a bold attempt to call back into active political life the old spirit of hate that did this country so much harm, and the last remnant of which ought to have been buried with Jefferson Davis. It is South State's style of handling the great economical questions that now present themselves, and that press for solution with as great force as ever did a constitutional question.

We are unable to say what means The Despatch has for correctly estimating the feeling at the south; whether in the above extract it speaks as a partisan or as a judge. It sounds like a republican harangue, and it probably is. But as the Atlanta Constitution has been brought in, let us see a little further about the opinions of the men who are connected with that paper. Henry W. Grady is its editor in chief. He is probably the brightest man in the south, and the one who best knows the sentiment in that section of the country to-day. A few nights ago he made a speech at a banquet given by the Boston Merchants' Association. At this banquet were men of all shades of political belief. Cleveland and Carnegie were there. Mr. Grady spoke to them, not as politicians, but as serious northern men. Speaking on the question of southern loyalty he said:

"And whatever we do, into whatever seeming estrangement we may be driven, nothing shall disturb the love we bear this republic, or mitigate our conservatism to its service. I stand here, Mr. President, to profess no new loyalty. When Gen. Lee, whose heart was the temple of our hopes and whose arm was clothed with our strength, renewed his allegiance to this government at Appomattox, he spoke from a heart too great to be false, and he spoke for every honest man from Maryland to Texas. From that day to this, Hamlet has nowhere in the south sworn young Hamlet to hatred and vengeance—but everywhere to loyalty and love. Witness the veterans standing at the base of a Confederate monument, above the graves of his comrades, his empty sleeve tossing in the April wind, adjusting the young men about him to serve as earnest and loyal citizens, the government against which their fathers fought. This message, delivered from that sacred presence, has gone home to the hearts of my fellows! And I declare here, if physical courage be always equal to human aspiration, that they would die, sir, if need be, to restore this republic their fathers fought to dissolve!"

Now here is the opinion, the firm conviction, of Henry W. Grady. He knows the south, and there are thousands of northern republicans who believe that he is honest enough to tell only what he firmly believes to be the truth. If we are honestly hunting for the truth of this matter, to whose words must we give the greater weight; those of Grady, or those of The Despatch? We are willing to let the honest citizen of Illinois determine for himself. All we ask is, that each man bring to this investigation a full and frank spirit of honesty and fairness. The northern man who will not do this loves his party more than his country, and is sowing seed that will grow into ruin.

Seminary drops in to ask how all these political changes affect The Herald. Well, we see neither smiles nor tears; which leads us to conclude that its independent gizzard is working full time while its heart and brain have been taken to the foundry for repairs. Of course The Herald never gives any indications of feeling about political matters. Its internal vacuity is well represented by its external stretch of hickness. Its most ardent feeling lies only in the height of a preference, and even in this it is included only those independent spirits known as patent medicine advertisers. When these are prospering the affidavits grow. But as to politics—well, it regards that as a financial science.

For the last few days the river has been engaged in expressing its contempt for the mud generator that we officially call a filter. Let us bury the electric light towers in that utter and then go into unrestrained raptures over the efficiency of this administration.

While this Herald fellow is prating so glibly about the spirit of treason in the south, it is well to remember that he knows only so much about it as he was able to catch during the intermissions of marital delights that marked the first 24 hours of his wedded life.

CHARLES COX was bound over to the county in the sum of \$800 and can't furnish bond, so The Herald man's thrashing will necessarily be delayed a while. This is the saddest feature about the case.

A GREAT many people watch the movements of the ground-hog to determine the state of the weather. We, of Decatur, have learned to look at Capt. DeWitt C. Sheekley for the same purpose.

The only real thing about The Herald's belated assault upon Jeff Davis is that its editor is the incarnation of dauntless courage when he has got a dead man for an opponent.

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A railroad conductor in conversing about things in general, remarked, "There is no trouble to see signs of the jay abroad. He has a quarrel with the ticket agent before getting his ticket; he says good-by to every one in halting distance before getting on the train, and then says the same things through the car window; he leaves his final instructions with the solemnity and importance of making a will; he asks the conductor and all the passengers around him 20 different times if they are sure he is on the right train; he puts up the window only to put it down again, and then to hoist it up again; he finds out all about his neighbor's business; he piles his valises around him like a barricade; he prepares to take a nap, but can't go to sleep for fear some one will rob him; he begins to collect his baggage and sit nervously on the edge of the seat for fear he will not have time to get out, half an hour before the train reaches his station, and, finally, at the end of an hour's journey, when he reaches his destination and gets out, he rushes back after the train has started to pick up something he had forgotten. The jay is a great traveler."

A Conundrum.

A "young gentleman reader" of THE REVIEW writes to know if a young lady, whom he had met several times and sort of hankered after, were to "blow a kiss at him, would it be etiquette to kiss her back?" when he met her? If there is anything the society editor is posted on it is etiquette, but he is puzzled in this case. It might be etiquette, but it wouldn't be very nice to kiss her back. It seems like it would be ever so much nicer to kiss her mouth, but this is not the opinion of an expert.

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Suicide at Washington City of Franklin B. Gowen.

EX-PRESIDENT OF THE READING.

His Dead Body Found in a Room at Wornley's Hotel—Nothing Found Among His Effects Which Could Throw Any Light on the Terrible Deed—Awaiting the Verdict in the Cronin Murder Trial—The Criminal Record.

WASHINGTON CITY, Dec. 14.—Mr. Franklin B. Gowen, of Philadelphia, formerly president of the Reading Railroad company, was found dead in his room at Wornley's hotel at about 1 o'clock Saturday afternoon with a bullet wound in his head. The body has been removed to the morgue.

Mr. Gowen came to Washington on Monday last to conduct the George Rice oil cases against southwestern railroads before the interstate commerce commission and on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday appeared as Mr. Rice's attorney in those cases. Mr. Gowen had not been noticed about the hotel since Friday afternoon, when he retired to his room.

Discovered the Dead Body.

Saturday morning the maid discovered that his door was locked and later in the day after making several unsuccessful attempts to get in his room, but finding the door still locked, reported the fact to the office about 1 o'clock. The clerk then procured a step-ladder and looking over the transom saw Mr. Gowen lying on the floor with the pistol by his side. When the door was opened Mr. Gowen was found to be dead. It is thought that he committed suicide early in the morning. The police authorities being notified immediately took charge of the remains, and notified the friends and relatives of Mr. Gowen in Philadelphia of his death.

Report of Officer Gross.

Officer Gross, who was called to force the door of Mr. Gowen's room, made the following report:

"About 1 o'clock I was sent for to come to Wornley's and went to room No. 10, occupied by Franklin B. Gowen, of Philadelphia, Pa., and found the door locked on the inside, and on opening the door found Mr. Gowen lying on the floor dead with a bullet hole in the right side of his head."

No Known Cause for the Deed.

All the property found at the hotel, belonging to Mr. Gowen was taken to the station house and examined. A bundle of soiled shirts, handkerchiefs, etc., was among them. They were neatly rolled up and tied with a string. Upon being opened at the station a box of 78 caliber Smith & Wesson cartridges was found. The box was new and but five of the cartridges had been taken out. Besides the clothing there was a tin box, such as is used by lawyers, containing papers and some interstate commerce pamphlets and a blue case bag. A heavy lock through the papers failed to develop anything that would throw light upon the cause of the suicide. The revolver used by Mr. Gowen, was a fine 38 caliber, pearl handled weapon. The barrel and handle were smeared with blood.

THE CRONIN MURDER TRIAL.

The Jury Retires to Decide Upon Their Verdict—The Prisoners.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—The closing argument in the Cronin murder trial was finished Friday afternoon, and Judge McConnell immediately read his instructions to the jury. At 4:30 the jury retired and court took a recess until 11 o'clock. At that hour no verdict had been reached and an adjournment was taken until 10 o'clock Saturday morning. An immense crowd filled the room when court was opened Saturday morning, eager to hear the verdict, but it was not reached yet. The crowd patiently waited, the judge occasionally asking a bailiff if the jury showed any signs of reporting. Up to 5:30 o'clock no verdict had been reached.

How the Prisoners Spent the Night.

The five prisoners slept well, so far as the jail guards could tell. They all retired about the same hour—11 o'clock—and if they lay awake and pondered over the outcome of the night for weal or woe for them they gave no sign. None of them were restless. They were all still and lay quiet in body if not peaceful in mind in their narrow bunks. Their breakfasts were brought to them at the usual hour. Bourke, Coughlin, and Kunze were the brightest and most cheerful of the quintet, they were pleasant in their morning salutations to the guards, and all three ate their morning meal with good appetite and evident relish. O'Sullivan and Beggs were worried and ill at ease. The suspense weighed on their minds and affected their dispositions. They were sadly meditative and were looking forward with evident apprehension to the fate to which the day might consign them.

Could Not Meet His Obligations.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 14.—A bad break in Comstock mining shares proved disastrous to Louis Mandelbaum, a well-known cigar dealer, who blew out his brains because he could not meet his engagements. Mandelbaum had a line of stores on which he was asked to put up \$1,000 to strengthen his margin; and he also had bills coming in which he could not meet, as Friday was "Stomach-day" or local settlement day. He remained at his office until late at night, and returned early in the morning and put a bullet through his brain. His wife was nearly crazed when she learned of his death. Mandelbaum was well-known in Virginia, where he had made money in mining.

Fraudulent Mexican Bonds.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 14.—Mexican Vice Consul Maurice Rabbin claims to have discovered that a large amount of fraudulent Mexican bonds are being sold in Kansas City and that many persons in Missouri and Kansas are being victimized. Thousands of dollars' worth have been placed in the two states and in many instances banks have been taking the worthless bonds as collateral for money loaned. The history of these bogus bonds dates back in the early '90s, when the unsettled condition of affairs offered excellent opportunity for the issuance of fraudulent securities. At that time over \$1,000,000 worth of these bonds were issued.

Good Way to Punish a Wife-Beater.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—A special to The Sun from Walkersville says: George Shiner was before Aldermen Donohue Friday for wife-beating. The alderman descended from the bench and gave Shiner a sound thrashing in the presence of 200 spectators. He then bade the man depart, and announced that this was the way he proposed to treat all wife-beaters hereafter. It saved costs to the county, and was better than letting the family starve while the husband was in jail.

An Aged Reprobate.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Further complaints are coming in against the 72-year-old physician, Dr. Louis H. Aldrich, who was locked up in the Tombs Friday on the charge of

assaulting two 15-year-old girls. Saturday morning an agent of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children appeared in the Tombs Police court with six other little girls, each of whom testified that Dr. Aldrich had induced her to visit his office, and had there assaulted her. Several of them said they had been induced to visit him a number of times.

Arrested for Forgery.

MONTREAL, Dec. 14.—W. J. Davidson, son of the senior member of the firm of Davidson & Fletcher, wholesale grocers of St. Johns, N. F., was arrested here charged with forging the name of William Bourke to a check which he had cashed at the Merchants' bank Dec. 12. On his person were found nine other blank checks with Bourke's name signed to them. Davidson pleaded guilty and was remanded.

Attempted Suicide of a Murderer.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Charles Wilson, the young truck driver who was sentenced to twenty years for manslaughter in shooting his wife, Louise, in a fit of jealousy, attempted suicide Saturday morning in the Tombs prison by taking poison. The prompt use of a stomach pump saved his life.

PRaises for His Wife.

Ex-President Cleveland Speaks Admirably of His Better Half.

Boston, Dec. 14.—Friday afternoon the Bay State club dined the southern visitors at the Parker house. Col. Taylor presided. Mr. Cleveland dropped in a few moments before train time, and had to speak. He said he had a grudge against ex-Mayor O'Brien, who had spoken admirably of Mrs. Cleveland. "I hear nothing when I go anywhere," said Mr. Cleveland, "except praise of Mrs. Cleveland (great applause) and although I am not aware there is ordinarily cause of jealousy in young husbands [laughter] still I feel it keenly. [Laughter.]

Don't Want Her to Know It.

"I wish I could say something on that subject, but I don't believe it would be fair or right. I must say, however, but I don't care to have it reported, as it may reach her ears (laughter), that she is deserving of all the adoration and the adulation the American people can give her." [Great cheering and cries of "good."] Mr. Cleveland also addressed the Massachusetts Democrats to stick to tariff reform, and remarked significantly that everything comes to those who wait.

STRUCK A BONANZA.

Good Fortune of the Butchers' Oil Company at Pittsburg.

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 14.—The Butchers' Oil company, which is composed of twenty butchers doing business in the Pittsburg market house, and who own 1,765 acres of land adjacent to Badertown, Allegheny county, have struck one of the largest natural gas wells ever heard of in western Pennsylvania. The pressure of the gas was 600 pounds in a five-inch casing, and so great was the volume that when the tools were withdrawn it was impossible to do any work about the well.

Natural Gas Not Failing.

It is being bored still deeper, but the gentlemen interested say they never saw a heavier pressure as the well has at present. A committee of five, appointed to visit the field went up and located two new oil wells, and has been struck on a gas well of 400 pounds pressure was struck on the same land. It was sold to the Bridgewater Gas company for \$800 per month. This well is said to still have a pressure of 350 pounds. This fact is advanced to disprove the idea that natural gas is failing.

An Animated Debate.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 14.—At the opening of the fifth day's session of the American Federation of Labor Saturday the report of the committee on constitution was taken up after roll call at the point at which it was left Friday evening. The debate was animated and great interest was manifested in the arguments of the speakers. The friends of a closer union and improved machinery for handling strikes, which may occur May 1, were out in full force. The representatives of the International Typographical union and a number of the printers who come from central organizations were decidedly opposed to the question of assessments to meet expenses of the expected strikes May 1.

Labor Troubles in Pennsylvania.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—A special to The World from Scottsdale, Pa., says: Six hundred workmen of the Leisenring cork works have struck because the H. C. Frick company refused to fulfill the agreement with the drivers. General Superintendent Lynch of the company, and Messrs. Kerfoot and Parker, of the men, had a conference, and the matter was left unsettled. Leaving Nos. 2 and 3, with 1,000 more men, threatened to strike Monday if the company does not adjust the trouble.

Killed by an Electric Car.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 14.—Mrs. Patrick Moran was run over and killed by an electric street car train at Clay and Green streets, Saturday morning. Her body was slightly mangled by electricity, but death was caused by crushing and mauling of the wheels. The motor man says that she suddenly stepped out in the middle of the track and was struck by the motor car before he could stop the train. He thinks it was a case of suicide but Mrs. Moran's friends say it was purely an accident.

The Queen at Albert's Tomb.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—The queen Saturday visited the tomb of her late husband, Prince Albert, who died on that day of the year 1871. Her majesty was overcome by her emotions, and wept while praying at the altar. The Prince of Wales and other members of the family were present.

Resigned His Position.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 14.—Superintendent Shannahan has resigned as superintendent of public works. The resignation was filed with Governor Hill Dec. 9 to take effect Dec. 16. He assigns no cause for the resignation. His action causes much excitement in the capital.

Johnstown Again Threatened.

JOHNSTOWN, Pa., Dec. 14.—A flood is threatened. The heavy rains have swollen the river beyond its banks, and the water is still rising. The temporary bridges will probably go before night.

Mrs. Campbell's Condition.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 14.—The condition of Mrs. James M. Campbell, wife of the governor-elect of Ohio, is much improved. It is thought that she is now out of danger.

Minister Porter and King Humbert.

ROME, Dec. 14.—Mr. Albert G. Porter, the United States minister, was granted a private audience by King Humbert Friday.

The Tenant's Defense Fund.

DUBLIN, Dec. 14.—The Irish tenants' defense fund now amounts to \$50,000 and subscriptions are rapidly pouring in.

AN OFFICIAL'S PLAIN.

How Members of the Administration Are Bothered.

THE PENALTY OF HOLDING OFFICE.

A Cabinet Member Gives the Experience of One Day—Accused of Being Too Exclusive to Please Senators and Representatives—A Proposed Plan to Reduce the Revenue—Congressman Mills on the Slight Defection of Notes.

WASHINGTON CITY, Dec. 14.—The members of the present administration are accused of being "too exclusive" to please the senators and congressmen, but they declare it to be untrue and an unjust charge. "We are compelled to be exclusive," said a cabinet officer Friday, "and the very men who make the complaint are the cause of it. They have driven us behind locked doors, for without such protection it is absolutely impossible for us to do any business. Three-fourths of my time is spent in conversing with members of congress and other callers, and the fourth is absolutely necessary to attend to the pressing business of the department. Let me give you an account of the day. I got up at 7:30 this morning. I sat down to breakfast about 8 o'clock. While at the table I glanced over the morning paper. Before I had finished, my private secretary came with a bundle of letters.

The Crowd at the Office.

"As fast as I read them I dictated answers, and, perhaps, three-quarters of an hour at the job. In the meantime five people, old friends from my state, had gathered in my parlor to see me before I went to the department. I gave each of them two or three minutes, and then asked one, whose business was really important, to walk along with me. I got to my office about 9:40 o'clock. There were thirty or more people in my room waiting, and the crowd kept at about the same number till noon, when the members started for the capitol, and I had to dismiss the rest in order to give a hearing to some attorneys on a case of importance. This lasted until 1:30 o'clock.

Bothered at Luncheon.

"My daughter was going away on the afternoon train, and I thought I would go home to luncheon, so as to bid her good-by. While I was sitting at luncheon I got the cards of five people who had either seen me go home or had learned my whereabouts at the department. One of them was formerly the head of the department over which I presided, and was, of course, entitled to respect. Two others were a committee who had come to invite me to make a speech at a banquet. I dismissed them as soon as I could, but by that time it was 3:30 o'clock. My desk was covered with letters which required my signature. I had to read each one carefully, of course, and finished the last one at 5:30 o'clock. Then I walked home tired out, with the intention of taking a little nap before I went to a dinner engagement.

An Arduous Duty.

But no nap for me. When I got to my home three o'clock, three senators and two members of the house waiting to see me, and it was 6:30 before I got through with them. Then my wife assisted me to dress, and hurried me off to dinner, from which I have just returned. That is a sample of all my days.

"But why did I go to dinner? Simply because I had to do so. Simply because if I did not go the gentleman who invited me would have been offended, and he is a prominent man—a man every one deigns to honor. It is one of the most arduous duties of a public man to attend these dinners, but there is no way of getting out of it. I have no leisure, not even on Sunday, no recreation, and no time with my family; but this is the penalty of holding office."

REVENUE REDUCTION.

A BILL WHICH REPRESENTATIVE BROWNE, OF INDIANA, WILL INTRODUCE.

WASHINGTON CITY, Dec. 14.—Certain western Republicans who are in favor of reducing the revenues without waiting for the caucus of their party have decided to take steps to secure a reduction of the duty on sugar, and Representative Browne, of Indiana, who for six years has been a member of the committee on ways and means, will take the initiative on Monday next by introducing a bill which has the approval of many of the Republican senators, as well as the moderate tariff men of that party in the house. This bill proposes a horizontal reduction of the duty on sugar to 15 per cent. ad valorem, and offers a bounty of 1 cent upon domestic sugar made either from cane, sorghum, or beets.

The Duty on Sugar.

The present duty on sugar is estimated on the ad valorem basis at about 75 per cent., and the amount of duty collected annually at about \$9,000,000. This reduction would bring the revenue from this source down to about \$7,500,000, and the bounty to be paid annually under this bill, if passed, would be about \$7,000,000, which would leave a net revenue to the government from the duty on sugar of about \$12,000,000.

Difficult to Find the Right Men.

WASHINGTON CITY, Dec. 15.—Congressmen who are interested in the selection of supervisors of the approaching census experience difficulty in finding the right sort of men to recommend for appointment, owing to the meager compensation allowed by the terms of the census act. That limits the compensation to be paid supervisors to \$500. The duties of supervisors require for their satisfactory discharge men of integrity, good judgment and business habits. Each will have to select from 100 to 300 enumerators, superintend their work, complete the returns with accuracy and audit their bills. To do this well, congressmen say, is worth more than \$500, and many of them have written to Superintendent Porter upon the subject.

The Slightest Defection.

WASHINGTON CITY, Dec. 14.—Representative Mills, of Texas, in talking to a number of Democratic members Friday morning, laid down the opinion that the Democrats could not afford to reappropriate money to reimburse themselves for losses by the slightest defection. It would lose the party thirty or forty members in the next house, he said. The best electric dome right away on the floor of the house. It might be that the money was lost through no fault of theirs and that they thought the government was responsible, but in every close district the party would find their opponents on the stump making loud proclamation and crying that a Democratic sergeant-at-arms had lost the people's money and that the Democrats had voted to pay it back.

PHILADELPHIA'S MYSTERY.

A Man Who Claims to Have Seen Joseph Dittman, the Bank President.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 14.—Joseph G. Dittman, the missing bank president, whose body was supposed to be at the bottom of the Schuylkill river, in the park, has been traced to the very heart of the city. Saturday morning a man who said he was a conductor on the Chestnut and Walnut streets line called on several friends of the missing man, searching for E. R. Bulkley, Mr. Dittman's brother-in-law. He failed to find him, and refused to tell all that he knew of the missing man's whereabouts on that all-important Thursday morning.

His Clothes Muddy and Soiled.

When pressed for further particulars, he said that Mr. Dittman had boarded his car in west Philadelphia and had ridden in it with him to Fourth and Chestnut streets. When Mr. Dittman got on the car, his clothing was covered with mud, his hat was dirty and crushed, and the man looked as though he had either been in the woods over night, or had been on a protracted spree and had fallen into a gutter. Further than this the man refused to say. He admitted that when he found Mr. Bulkley he would make some further disclosures.

MICHIGAN STATE GRANGE.

Resolutions Adopted at the Convention at Lansing.

LANSING, Mich., Dec. 14.—The state grange adopted resolutions that railroad fares should be in proportion to the price of commodities, and the reduction of 50 per cent. in incomes since granting their franchises; commencing the legislature of 1899 for passing the graded railroad fare bill; amending the standard fire insurance law and exempting the Farmers' Mutual from its operation; for the printing of school books by the state, under the supervision of the state board of education; that school examiners be elected by the people, and ineligible to the office of secretary; in favor of manual training in industrial schools. One for a return to the township unit system of schools was defeated. A committee was appointed to prepare a list of books best adapted to the needs of the farmer and his family on literature, history, biography, and science, to be printed in the annual report of the state grange proceedings. Governor Lure gave an informal reception to the members at the close of the afternoon session.

Scandal in St. Louis Club.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 14.—The German club, one of the most exclusive organizations in St. Louis, is greatly agitated over an anonymous circular issued by a member of the club, which, in the guise of a programme of a Christmas entertainment, ridicules and abuses eight members. Those attacked have placed the matter in the hands of the United States district attorney, and the person who sent the circular through the mails will be prosecuted if discovered. Prior to the date of entertainment it is the usual custom of the club to send members a programme. It was supposed that the printing and stationery could not be duplicated in the city. It was duplicated, and every member received the circular last Wednesday.

Wants to Sign with the League.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 14.—Sam Thompson's evident determination to go back to the league is worrying the brotherhood leaders. A gentleman in the city has received a telegram from Al Johnson, president of the brotherhood, requesting him to see Thompson and get him to deny that he had "deserted his manhood and become a traitor" by breaking his brotherhood contract. As Thompson is at home in Danville, the message has not yet been delivered to him. Usage has changed his mind since he was in Indianapolis last week, he will hardly comply with Mr. Johnson's request. Thompson wants to sign a three-year contract with the league. The impression here among local leaders is that the brotherhood is about to collapse.

A Steer in a Dwelling House.

EAST ST. LOUIS, Ill., Dec. 15.—An infuriated Texas steer, closely pursued by a driver, ran into the house of Mrs. O. A. Hennessy, near the Martell house, Friday. Mrs. Hennessy, with her baby in her arms, had just time to escape by a back staircase, and the infuriated steer upon the kitchen table, smashed the dishes, broke the chairs and other furniture and overturned the stove. The driver mounted the stairs, and after some difficulty managed to get a ring in the animal's nose, but it broke and was useless. The animal, after having completely wrecked the room, leisurely descended the stairs and was captured.

Big Failure at Chicago.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—C. J. L. Meyer & Sons company, the extensive dealers in mantles, grades, and cast, doors and blinds, at 307 and 320 Walnut avenue, failed Saturday morning in an attempt to force the company made an assignment to James B. Goodman. Their liabilities are placed at \$302,000 and their assets at \$212,205, open accounts, \$90,000; pay-roll unpaid, \$7,000.

A Case Against Catcher Miller.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 14.—There is a new phase in the base ball contract breaking business. Manager Hamilton will bring criminal proceedings against Catcher Miller at the latter's debut play with the players' league next season. His charge is that Miller obtained \$120 under false pretenses for services to be rendered, and unless the services are given he has a case against the misgiver.

Crushed to a Pulp.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Henry Brunner, a lad 14 years old, met a most frightful death Saturday morning at the Garden City Spring works at the corner of Twentieth and Purple streets. In some inexplicable manner he got caught in the belt of the big power-wheel, and before any one could help him he was crushed to a pulp.

Burned to Death in a Distillery.

PEORIA, Ill., Dec. 14.—The Star distillery owned by J. & G. Herget, and located at Pekin, was destroyed by fire at an early hour Friday morning. Loss, \$40,000; insurance \$10,000. Joseph Scheidel, the night watchman, was burned to death and others narrowly escaped.

Killed by an Electric Spark.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—At 10:15 o'clock in the morning Patrick Sullivan, 39 years old, of 501 East Eighty-third street, employed by the Manhattan Electric Lighting company, was killed by an electric spark.

Parnell To Be Banquetted.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—Parnell will be entertained at a banquet given in his honor by the Liverpool Reform club on the evening of Dec. 19.

Silver Discovered in Indiana.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 14.—Much excitement prevails in Madison county because of the discovery of silver in paying quantities there.

THE MORMON CHURCH.

Address to the People of the United States

BY THE PRESIDENT AND APOSTLES.

The Charges of Disloyalty to the Government Defended—No Apostates Have Ever Been Excommunicated, the Church Not Counseling Such Vengeance—The Church Honors the Flag and Desires To Be in Harmony with the Government.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Dec. 14.—Wilford Woodruff, George Q. Cannon, and Joseph F. Smith, president and apostles of the Mormon church, have issued a long address to the people of the United States in defense of the church against the charges of disloyalty to the government and criminal practices of its leaders which has resulted in the disfranchisement of its members. They solemnly declare that the church views with abhorrence the shedding of human blood except in pursuance of the mandate of a legally constituted court of law; they deny that apostates have ever been murdered by Mormons or that the church either counsels or countenances such vengeance, and declare that hundreds of seceders from the church now, and have continuously, lived in Utah and amassed wealth without harm to the hands of Mormons, though bitterly hostile to the church and though they have calumniated its people.

Nothing Hostile to the Government.

The church, they say, neither exercises nor claims the right to exercise civil or judicial functions, going no further than the excommunication of members from church fellowship. The ballot in Utah, they aver, is a mystery, and the church, while it may offer advice to its members in all conditions of life, does not claim the right to interfere with citizens in the free exercise of social or political rights in any way. Free agency and individual accountability to God are among the essentials of the church doctrine. They declare nothing is done in the endowment ceremonies, nor is there in any doctrine or injunction of the church, public or private, anything hostile or intended to be hostile to the government of the United States. On the contrary, its members are under divine command to revere the constitution as a Heaven inspired instrument, and obey as supreme all laws made in pursuance of its provisions.

They Honor the Stars and Stripes.

They say that utterance of prominent men in the church, made over thirty years ago at a time of great excitement, have been selected and grouped to convey the impression that present members of the church are seceders. These expressions were made at a time when, through the falsehoods of recent official, afterward demonstrated to be baseless, troops were sent to Utah and viewed by the people in their isolated condition, 1,500 miles from railroads, as an armed mob coming to renew the bloody persecutions of former years. Members of the church have never offered, or intended to offer, any insult to the flag of our country, they say, but always have honored it as the emblem of law and liberty. They declare the church does not claim to be an independent kingdom of God or to be an imperial nation in imperio, arising to overthrow the United States or any other government.

Awaiting the Coming of Christ.

It has been organized by divine revelation preparatory to the second advent of the Redeemer and "the kingdom of God is at hand." Its members are commanded of God to be subject unto the powers that be until Christ comes, whose right it is to reign, as they contend that the church and civil government are distinct and separate in theory and practice, regarding it as part of their duty to aid in the maintenance and perpetuity of the institutions of our country. They claim no religious liberty they are unwilling to be granted to others, and ask no civil rights not granted and guaranteed to citizens in general, desiring to be in harmony with the government and the people of the United States as an integral part of the nation.

Dom Pedro on His Dignity.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—Dom Pedro and the republican authorities in Brazil have had some correspondence by cable on the subject of the settlement upon the ex-emperor of a large sum of money as a retiring pension or solace. Dom Pedro has uniformly maintained since his exile that he would not accept the gratuity that it was at first reported had been voted him. He has even spoken of it with some irritation. He has adhered to his purpose in the final answer just sent to Rio Janeiro through the Brazilian legation, which is to the effect that Dom Pedro declines to accept any sum beyond that authorized by the laws of Brazil.

Civil Rights in Tennessee.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Dec. 14.—The Belt railroad has provided separate ends in its cars for white and colored people, neither being allowed in the end assigned to the other. Ed Carter, a negro, seated himself in the end belonging to the white people and refused to move. An officer was called and Carter still refused. He was arrested and resisted fiercely. A charge of assaulting an officer was made, but Carter was released by Recorder Pyatt on the ground that the company had no right to make the rule, and the arrest was therefore illegal.

Cannot Collect the Subscription.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 14.—Charles Watson, a prominent member of the South Side Baptist church, subscribed a large sum of money to the church some time ago, but afterward refused to pay it. The trustees sent him for the amount, but the court held that the subscription having been made on Sunday, could not be collected. The trustees proved that Watson had ratified the contract on two secular days, but the court held that there must be proof of consideration as well, and this could not be made.

Illinois Central Earnings.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The Illinois Central Railroad company has changed the date of its fiscal year from Dec. 31 to June 30, in compliance with the provisions of the interstate commerce law. This change has made a report of operations for the six months ending June 30 last necessary. It has been made, and the figures show gross earnings of \$8,430,829, and net earnings of \$2,403,457. The surplus Sept. 3 was \$202,230, after paying a semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent.

Acquitted of the Charge.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 14.—James Garner has been acquitted in one of the election fraud cases. The government was very confident of a conviction and its discomfiture will probably result in a dismissal of other cases, as none of them is stronger than this.

A Handhouse Gift.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Dr. Daniel Ayres, of Brooklyn, has given \$350,000 to Wesleyan university.

THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

On Friday, at Long Branch, Warren Tealand, Jr., the well-known proprietor, made an assignment of all his property for the benefit of creditors. His liabilities, including mortgages, are \$250,000, but he says he can easily pay 100 cents on the dollar.

The age of the new members of the house of representatives averages not less than 40 years. A generation ago they thought a legislator should be 50 or 60.

Business failures for the week, reported by R. G. Dun & Co., number 293, as compared with 310 last week and 383 for the corresponding week last year.

It is announced that within five months Sullivan and Jackson will fight in the rooms of the California Athletic club at San Francisco for a purse of \$15,000.

The colored people of South Carolina are to hold a state fair in Charleston the first four days of January.

Samuel L. Brokaw, baggage master on the Grand Rapids and Indiana railroad, has been arrested charged with stealing United States mail pouches. He has been on the road sixteen years, and it is thought that he can prove his innocence.

Plymouth church (Beecher's) at Brooklyn, during the year past lost 729 members. The receipts were \$44,682.

New York's board of aldermen—that city has two municipal bodies—will have but three Republicans next year. The Republican representation has not been so small since 1871.

E. J. Dillard, a prominent young merchant of Chattanooga, was Friday held for trial on the charge of abducting Lillie Dunlop, a beautiful girl of 14.

Minnesota two inches long are said to have been taken from a seventy-four-foot well at New Ipswich, La.

Near Wapakoneta, Ohio, two brothers were married, one marrying the daughter of a widow and the other the widow.

B. M. Chambers, the slayer of Frank J. Bowman, was admitted to bail Friday in the sum of \$50,000 by Judge Thomas, at St. Louis.

At a meeting Friday at Wheeling, W. Va., the western nail manufacturers decided to advance the nail rate to \$2 35 net.

At a meeting of the leading French-Canadian political organization of Montreal Friday night the non-law of Premier Mercur declared for annexation

OTTO E. CURTIS & BRO.

OUR CHINA AND GLASSWARE DEPARTMENT



Is surprising everyone. Ladies tell us they never expected to buy **Haviland and Vienna China** at the low prices we name for it. Full **Dinner Sets**, any number of pieces you want, in many Decorations. As we carry these goods in open stock, in several styles, we can make up the set to suit you, and the **price will suit you**. Our stock room on second floor is full of China, and the **finest kind** at that. We shall not carry any "American China," so you are in no danger of the enamel cracking or "crazing" when they are put into hot water. We cannot particularize, but the following list will give you some idea of the goods we have in this **new department**:

CHINA DEPARTMENT.

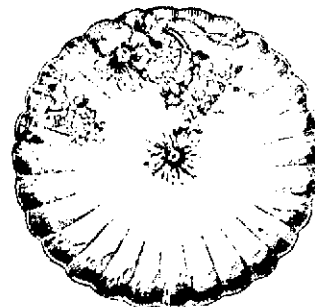
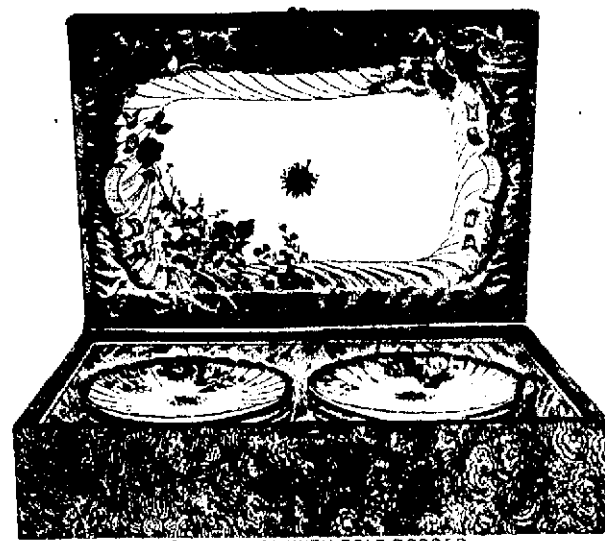
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Cake Plates	Ind. Butters	Rose Jars
Olive Dishes	Ton Bon Trays	Ladies' Cups and Saucers
Jelly Dishes	Sugar and Creams	Gents' Cups and Saucers
Bone Dishes	Dinner Sets	Moustache Caps and Saucers
Pickle Dishes	Tea Sets	Baking Dishes
Salad Dishes	Tea Pots	
Cracker Dishes	Tea Pot Stands	

GLASSWARE DEPARTMENT.

Water Bottles.	Water Pitchers.
Vinegar Bottles.	Butter Dishes.
Celery Holders.	Fancy Salad Bowls.
Spoon Holders.	Fancy Fruit Dishes.
Finger Bowls.	Fancy Flower Holders.
Tumblers.	Fancy Baskets.
Cream Pitchers.	Card Receivers.
Lemonade Cups.	Salts and Peppers.
Salad Sets.	Sugar Sifters.
Water Sets.	Tooth Pick Holders.

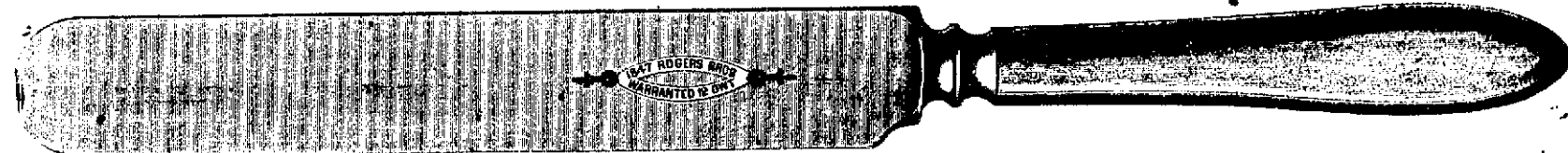
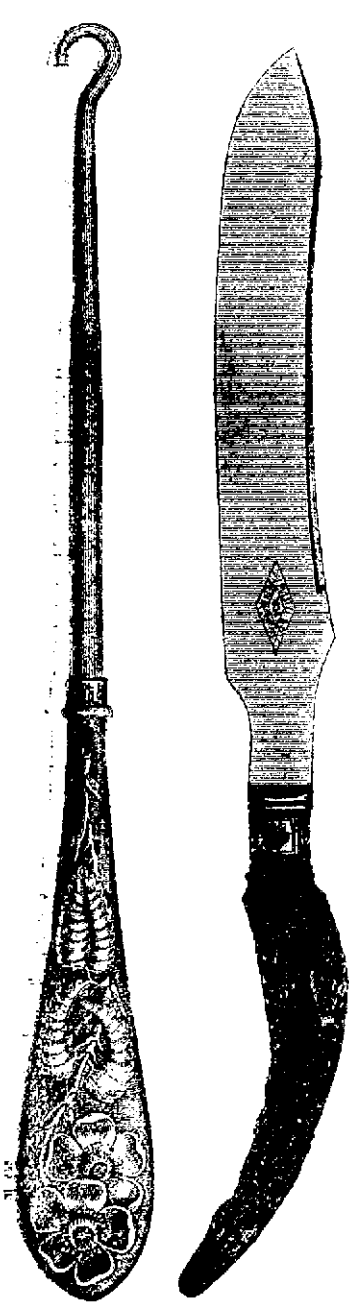
This list does not cover anything near the line of goods we can show you. Our business has outgrown our store room, and we cannot display goods in this department as we should like to, but we can show them to you, and our prices "GET THERE" and no mistake.

In Fine Glassware and Cut Glass we show many handsome things, and at prices that will astonish you.



SALAD SET, No. 1476, ROSE.

PIANO, BANQUET AND FANCY BRASS LAMPS IN GREAT VARIETY.



Everyone has given up trying to sell the
OLD RELIABLE "1847 ROGERS BROS." KNIVES, FORKS and SPOONS
AS CHEAP AS WE DO.

Small dealers cannot land the goods here for the price we retail them at. You will be asked to buy some **other make**, claimed to be as good, and with the word "Rogers" in the trade mark, some place or in some form, but look for "**1847 Rogers Bros.**" If you want the **Best Goods** made. They cannot meet our prices on this make of goods and have to resort to some make that can be had in the market for **less money**. If the silver plating was thick enough they would be all right, but it is not, consequently they can be had for less money than "1847 Rogers Bros." Our line of

CARVING SETS

Is the largest **you ever saw** in a town several times as large as Decatur. In

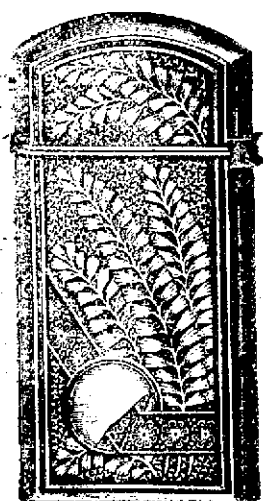
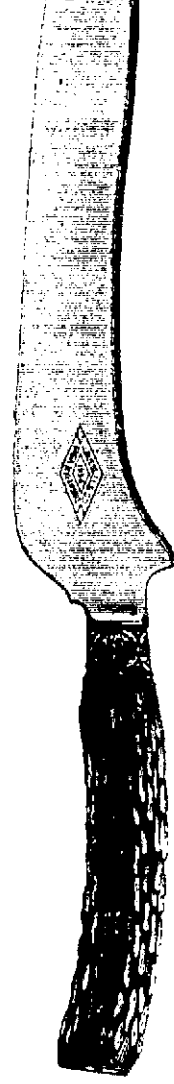
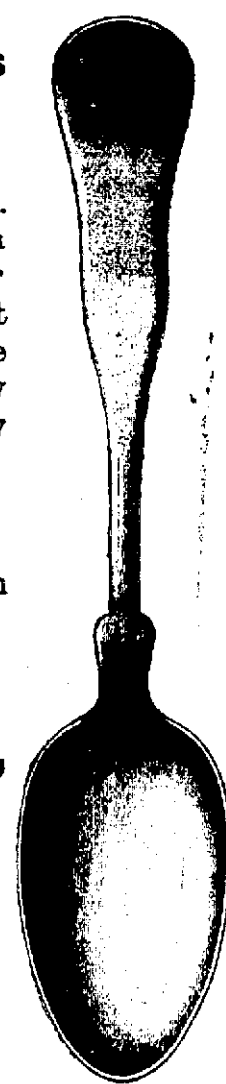
SOLID, STERLING SILVER

we show everything. In all the prevailing novelties in
OXYDIZED SILVER AND FANCY "BRIGHT CUT"

There is no stock in the West that will compare with ours.



NUT CRACKERS IN SILVER PLATE, ONLY \$1.25.



SOLID SILVER.

Tea Spoons,	Ice Cream Spoons,
Table Spoons,	Berry Spoons,
A. D. Coffee Spoons,	Cream Ladles,
Sugar Shells,	Forks,
Sugar Tongs,	Etc., Etc.

We have a very nice assortment of Sterling Novelties, embracing the latest things out, such as:

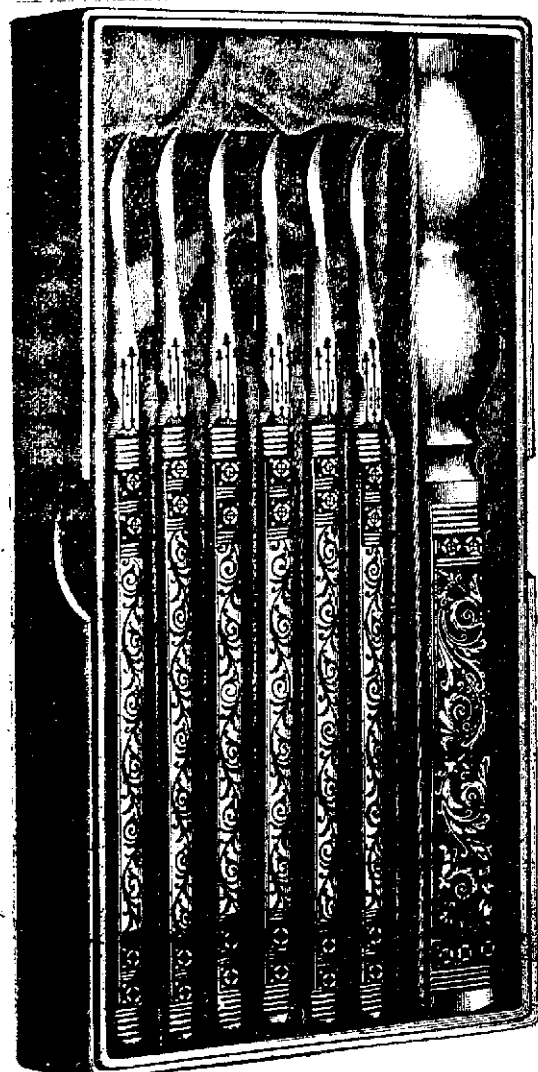
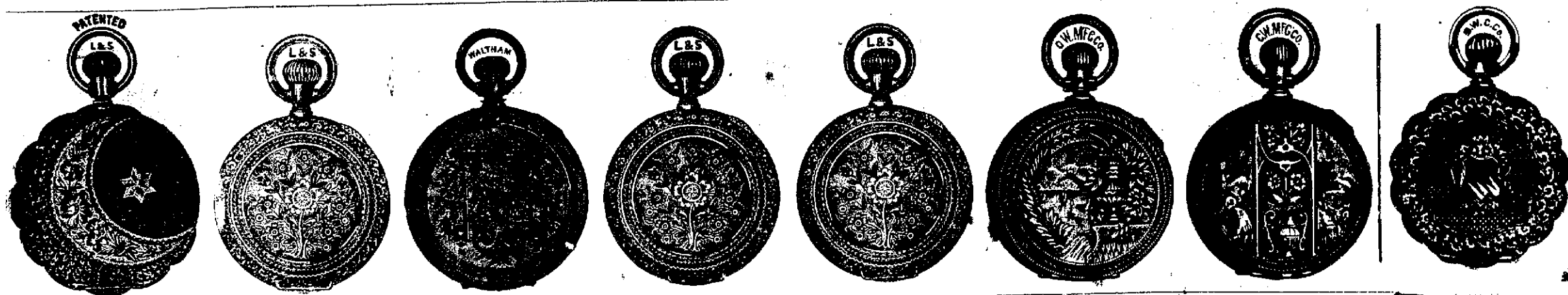
Paper Cutters,	Stamp Boxes,
Book Marks,	Pin Boxes,
Vinaigrettes,	Shoe Clasps,
Tooth Picks,	Match Boxes,
Glove Buttoners,	Bon Bonniers.



OTTO E. CURTIS & BRO.,

Wholesale and Retail Jewelers.

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100 Dozen Nut Sets from \$1.00 to \$2.50.
Best Nut Cracker made, and Cracker and
Picks are Best Silver Plate. In Paper or
Plush Boxes.

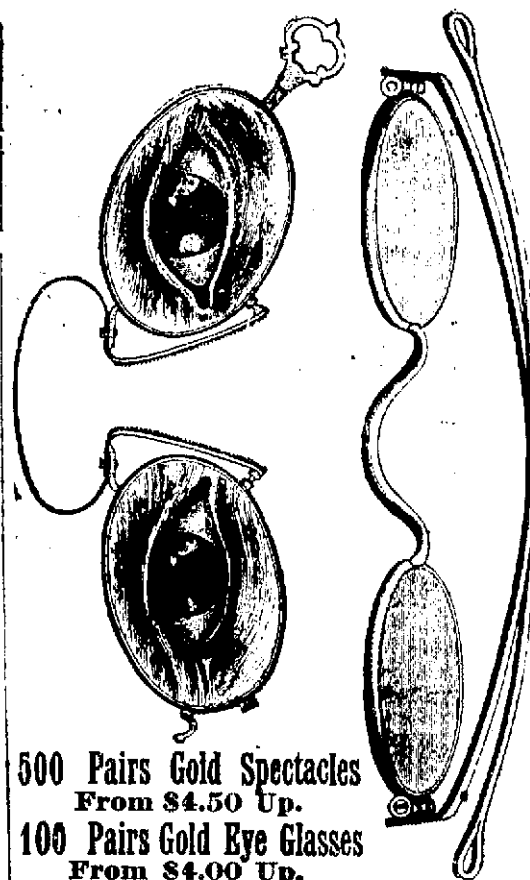
FACTS ABOUT WATCHES.

We do not exaggerate when we say we show you more styles and more Watches than you can find in all the stocks of Decatur combined. We must be able to sell these goods cheaper than the smaller dealer or we could not carry such a stock. We have every priced watch in **RELIABLE GOODS** in **SOLID GOLD** for from \$25.00 up. We have had made up for December business the finest lot of **WATCH CASES** we ever had, and of course we can sell you any grade of Elgin, Waltham, Howard, Hampden, Springfield or Columbus movement in these watches, and sell them to you in many instances for as little money as smaller retailers have to pay for them, buying as they do of Jobbers.

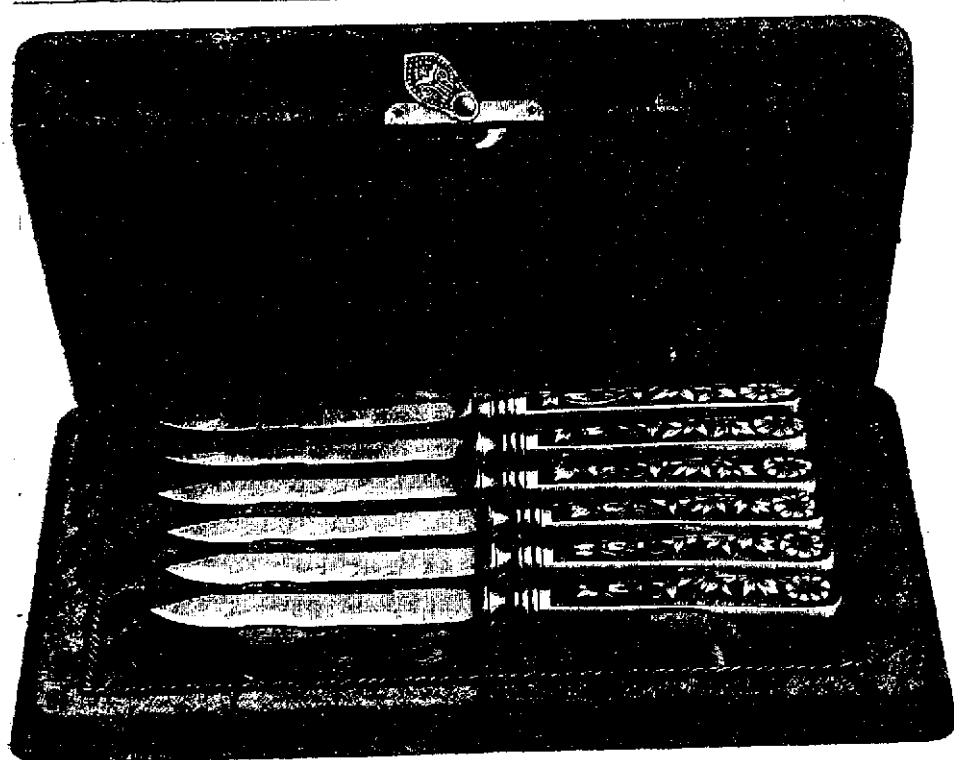
See this stock if you would do **YOURSELF** as well as **US** justice.

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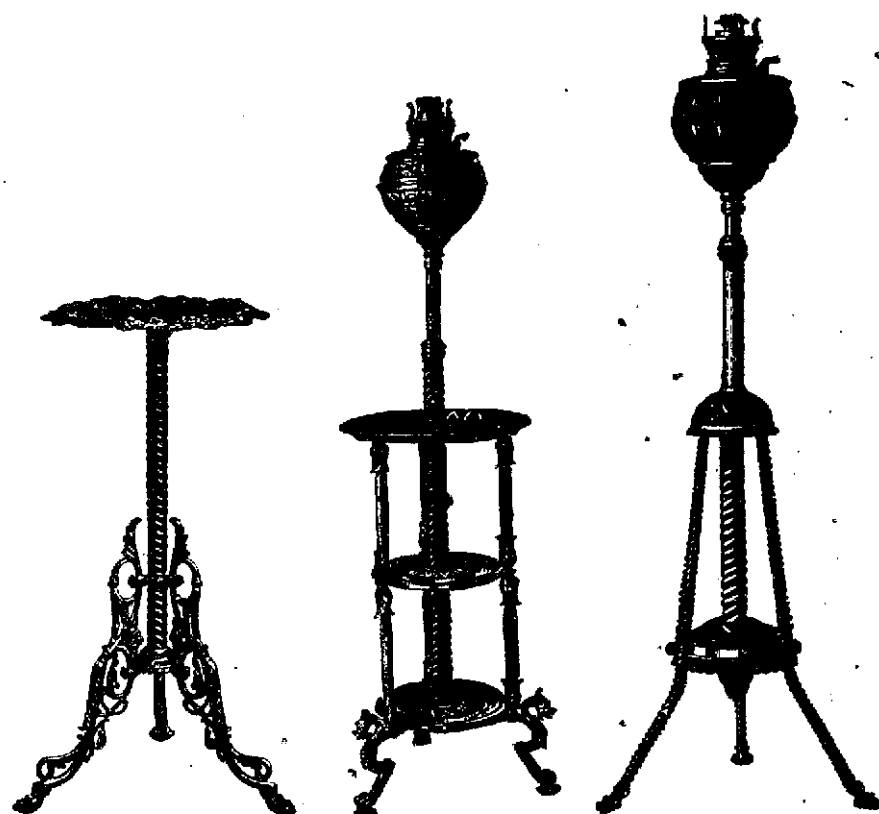
We are showing the only **REAL** assortment of fine goods in this line to be seen in the city, notwithstanding the extravagant expressions indulged in by advertisers.



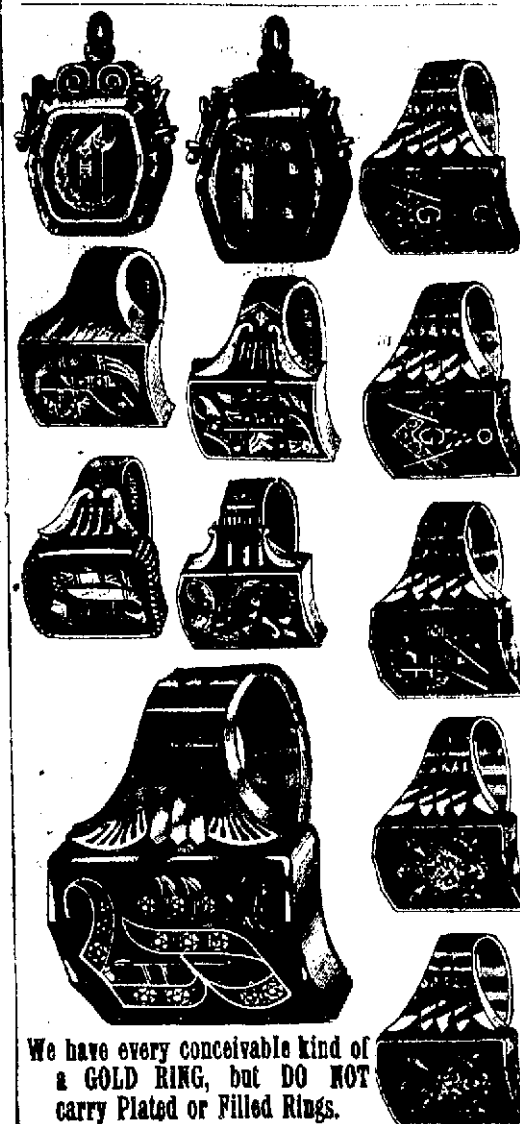
500 Pairs Gold Spectacles
From \$4.50 Up.
100 Pairs Gold Eye Glasses
From \$4.00 Up.



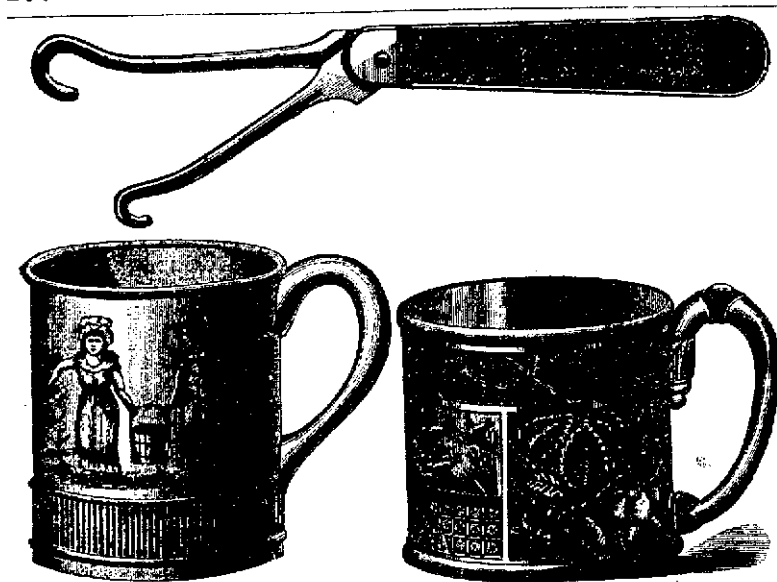
200 Doz. Silver Fruit Knives at \$2 to \$2.50 per Set, in Paper or Plush Box.



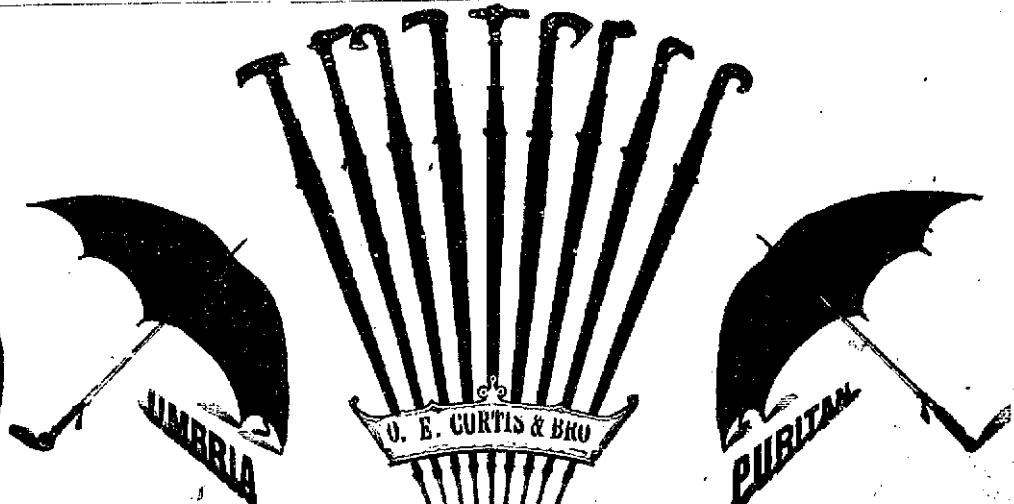
PIANO LAMPS AND BRASS TABLES.



We have every conceivable kind of a **GOLD RING**, but **DO NOT** carry Plated or Filled Rings.



300 Silver Cups at \$1.25 Each.



Our Silk Umbrella-Stock is the Finest and Largest you ever saw. You will have to see the styles of Handles we use to appreciate this stock. We have over 300 **SILK UMBRELLAS**, and at all prices from \$3 up.



The Opera Glass business is on the Boom and our Low Prices sell them every time. We sell only the **"LEMAIRE'S"**.

We expect to get the bulk of your Christmas Money.

OTTO E. CURTIS & BRO.,

Wholesale and Retail Jewelers.

BUSINESS CHANCES.

Notices not exceeding 50 lines will be inserted in this column one week for twenty-five cents payable in advance.

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—A house with two rooms and a bath, good cellar and water, 644 North Calhoun St. Apply to David Patterson 584 North Church St.

FOR RENT—A furnished room near the depot. Inquire at James Hill at 11 S. B. Bond's store, 105 East Broadway street.

FOR RENT—Office room on second floor adjoining Masonic temple. Apply to Theo. Coleman, at Hawthorn & Son's office.

TO LET—A well-furnished room with board in private family for one or two gentlemen. Address, Lock Box 177.

ROOMS TO RENT—I have a whole residence flat to rent on very reasonable terms. For further information call on D. Hatcher at 1101 N. Powers' block.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—A fine and healthy. Shouts, well worth 1000 ft. to 1500 pounds, come at once and see them at my place, four blocks south of "Oakland Park." H. H. Wise.

WANTED.

WANTED—Three good men to sell for us on commission. Salary or Commission. Address, Mrs. H. H. Wise, 105 East Broadway, Chicago, Ill.

WANTED—Two girls for hotel work. Apply to G. W. Drysdale, Blue Mound, Ill.

WANTED—Steady work for the winter, in heavy stable, manufacturing or driving team. James Lander. Inquire at Review office.

WANTED—Agents to canvass for books, good profit. Liberal cash premiums. Call at 322 West Main St. at 2 o'clock, this morning.

WANTED—Swing, by a young lady, an accomplished dressmaker. Wishes to do sewing in families by the day. Call at address 41 East Edmund street.

WANTED—Reliable local and traveling salesmen. Positions permanent. Special inducements now. Last salary \$1000.00. No. 1000. Address, 1000. Address, 1000. Address, 1000.

WANTED—Specimens to sell for our well-known. Good wages. Good work. Permanent employment. No. 1000. Address, 1000. Address, 1000.

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Useful Presents

needed in every family, and sure to be appreciated. None more desirable and acceptable than an

Elegant Hanging Lamp, Piano, Banquet, Vase, Oxidized Silver, Gladstone, Lux Dux, Electric, or Table-lamp.

of which substantial gifts you will find

The Most Wonderful

variety ever shown in the city. Prices never so low at

WINGATE'S

Famous Lamp Store.

Merchant Street, Central Block.

BEYOND QUESTION

JNO. G. CLOYD,

144 E. Main, - Decatur.

Telephone 36.

MORNING REVIEW

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1899.

LOCAL PARAGRAPHS.

Board at Combs' restaurant.

The Queen at Buchanan Bros.

Henry Bros. keep the best bread in the city.

Read S. M. Lutz's offer of special prices on organs.

Cuff and collar boxes in variety at Irwin's drug store.

Butter and eggs at Webster & Co.'s 217 North Main.

Soft coal \$1.50 per ton delivered.—F. D. Caldwell.

Fine holiday goods at bottom prices at Irwin's drug store.

Peake & Son are the jewelers that are slaughtering prices on goods this year.

For pure drugs and fine holiday goods, go to Irwin's drug store.

Buy your drugs at the corner of Calhoun and Edmund streets.

Manicure sets and work boxes in variety at Irwin's drug store.

For this week and next Peake & Son have their special holiday sale.

Good warm rooms at Combs' European hotel. Go there to board.

Buy your Christmas candies at the Presbyterian sale on Tuesday.

Green apples, grapes and canned fruit at Webster & Co.'s, 217 North Main.

Stop in at Peake & Son's and see their elegant display of holiday goods.

If you want a good, clean, wholesome lunch, go to Henry Bros.

Plush odor cases in variety, at reduced prices, at Irwin's drug store.

Watches are cheaper this year than ever, because Peake & Son have cut the price.

Excelsior Dairies for 1899 now ready at the City Book store. J. H. Bevans.

Oxidized silver comb and brush and manicure sets at Irwin's pharmacy.

Go to Combs' restaurant and European hotel opposite Grand opera house.

Swell body and Portland sleighs and bobsleds for sale at Spencer & Lehman Co.

Remember Hunter has the Pioneer Brand of oysters at wholesale. Best in the market.

Go to the Spencer & Lehman company for feed cutters, feed grinders and corn shellers.

Shaving parlor, 709 East Cerro Gordo street. Shaving and hair cutting in style.—C. B. Smith.

When you want anything in the grocery line, call on E. R. Culver, 760 North Church street, or telephone No. 8.

Awnings put up and fine upholstery and repairing of all kinds done to suit you by A. Beer, North Main.

Prudent housekeepers who want to preserve their reputation as breadmakers, should always use Hatfield's flour.

The largest and cleanest soft coal ever offered to the Decatur trade at \$1.50 per ton delivered. F. D. CALDWELL.

Come to the "Standard" office in Library block on William street, and see how quick and how nice it will make a button hole.

No more useful Christmas present can be given than a Merritt Typewriter. \$15. Office in Library Block, on William street.

There will be a masquerade dance at Gualds' armory Thursday, Dec. 19th. Admission 50c. Ladies free. Good music and good order.

At the Decatur Musical college lessons are given in piano, violin, organ, harmony, theory and elocution. Pupils may enter at any time.

Bring your old shoes along and call on E. W. Chandler, tabernacle building. You will learn something to your advantage and comfort.

Miss Cerna Fletcher has moved to 145 West Cerro Gordo street, where she will still continue dressmaking and teaching the Fountain tailor system.

Beginning Nov. 1, I shall offer rare bargains to purchasers of pianos and organs which will be continued during the holidays. My stock is large and complete. Remember the date. C. B. PRESCOTT.

At the Presbyterian sale on Tuesday you will find the finest assortment of candies, chocolates, candied fruits, etc., for Christmas purposes.

As no investment is cheaper than that made for education, 'tis the duty of parents to unite instruction with pleasure if possible. Teach boys and girls now to use the "Merritt" typewriter, and thus become highly proficient in spelling and punctuation.

All who have examined the new stock of fine etchings at the City Book store are loud in their praises of this beautiful line of pictures. To all who think of purchasing we say again, come and look at them. J. H. Bevans.

Such a display of elegant albums as can now be seen at the City Book store has never before been made in Decatur. The stock includes all grades, in plush and leather, and are selling at marvelously low prices. J. H. Bevans.

You will surely regret it if you purchase anything in the way of brush and comb sets, shaving sets, cuff and collar boxes, jewel boxes, odor cases; in fact any article in the way of plush goods, before looking at the stock at the City Book store. The stock is all fresh and new, purchased direct from a large manufacturer for cash, and our low prices will astonish you. J. H. Bevans.

Our Grandmothers are pioneers in the use of the hand needle, but how many do their sewing that way now? Remember this is an age of progress, and suppose there is only one honest, first-class dealer, who obtained the exalted position by honest effort, in the city of Decatur, if you who are anticipating the purchase of a first-class sewing machine will take the advice of one who has had a little experience, you will only have to casually remark, "I intend trying the Standard Rotary Shuttle sewing machine before I make a choice." Then quietly take notes. Do you catch the idea?

Standard Sewing Machine office on William street, in Library Block.

The Teachers.

The Macon county teachers met yesterday at the superintendent's office. Prof. Reeder of the grammar department of the State Normal school, delivered an address on "Literature in the Schools." The session closed with a prize spelling match. Fifty words were given out, and the fewest number missed by one person was three, that was Mr. Elie. Mrs. Ditzel stood second. The prize was a copy of Roger's copy-righted "History of Pedagogy," and the second was a year's subscription to one of the Decatur weekly papers.

A Fine Picture. A look at a fine picture gives pleasure to any one, but when that picture is of one whom we know and see, the pleasure is not only greater, but the portrait's merits can be more accurately judged. Den Chamberlain, the photographer over Peddick & Burrows' bank, has just completed a large crayon portrait of Wayne Wilson's little boy that is a wonderful likeness. It shows an artistic skill that is unusual. The bright looking boy in the frame seems ready to break out in a laugh. To see it is worth a visit to the studio.

A New Route for the "Short Line." On Monday night the Decatur Short Line will ask the council to consider an ordinance for right of way on Monroe and Eldorado streets to the city limits. Following favorable action by the council the company will then get from the highway commissioners the right to run their line over the country road to the fair grounds. This route is to be built the first thing in the spring, and gives indication of an active summer campaign.

T. R. K. of P. Special meeting of Decatur division, No. 26, U. R. K. of P., on Monday evening, Dec. 18, at 8 o'clock sharp, to make arrangements for the memorial services on the death of Brother P. S. C. Justice II. Rathbone, founder of the order. A full attendance is requested. F. W. WISLER, S. R. K. S. B. MOLL, S. R. K.

Information Wanted. LISTEN, I, Dec. 10, 1899.

Editor Review. I would like to inquire through your paper where I am to obtain the constitution and by-laws of the "Farmers' Alliance" of Illinois. Any information will be gladly received by the undersigned.

W. R. ADAMS, Litchfield, Ill.

Free From Pain. The illness of Mrs. Mary Carter, which was mentioned in yesterday morning's Review, resulted in death yesterday about 5 o'clock p. m. The funeral will occur Monday afternoon from the family residence, 289 East Bradford street.

Before Judge Nelson. In the matter of Mary L. Butcher, a minor, the guardian, Margaret Butcher, was granted an allowance from the estate to educate her ward. \$125 were considered sufficient for that purpose.

Real Estate Transfers. Geo. W. Handy to Geo. E. Barnett, two lots in Handy's addition to Decatur; \$500. Decatur Greenwood cemetery to S. B. Winholtz, two lots in the Terrace division of the cemetery.

The Iron Molders' grand ball will be given on Christmas Eve. All are invited. No pains will be spared to make it the most enjoyable of the season. A handsome Christmas gift will be given each lady present.

Wanted. Several good men to sell nursery stock for the Bloomington (Phoenix) nursery in the state; 600 acres, 13 green houses. Address S. A. D. Gray, general agent, Decatur, Ill.

A Pupils' Recital will be given at the Decatur Musical college on Tuesday night, Dec. 17. Pupils, parents and friends of the college are cordially invited.

Open Evenings. Mrs. K. Einstein's millinery store will remain open every night till 9 from now on until after Christmas.

The Two Chicago Cheap Stores are now open on Prairie street opposite the postoffice. The fine stocks are offered at low prices.

Call at Buchanan Bros. and see the Queen.

Another Woman Gone Wrong.

There was a florid faced young man in town yesterday from Clinton, en route to Peoria, in search of his wife, who left his bed and board a few days ago, and left the town with a brakeman in the employ of the Central. The man gave his name as Robert Spencer, and the brakeman's name as Brewer. Brewer was a lover of the false Mrs. Spencer before she was married, and was criminally intimate with him. It is alleged. The husband knows this, but is so infatuated with the woman that he is anxious to take her back to his heart and home, and intends going to Peoria, where he has located the couple, and plead with her to return with him. A man in his position deserves sympathy, but the folly of such an affection on such an object, causes common sense to come down on sympathy like a thousand of bricks on a rotten pumpkin, and crush it out of existence. One reason of their marital misery, Spencer thinks, is because no children had blessed their union, and there may be a great deal of truth in this belief, as people of experience and observation have frequently asserted that a little juven—life was necessary to make the wheels of matrimony roll smoothly along the highways of life.

"Thou Shalt Not Bear False Witness Against Thy Neighbor."

To speak well of your competitor has always been a good business principle. We hope you may never sink so low as to slander and misrepresent our competitors in the effort to win trade. We don't get our trade that way. We make it stick to our own goods. We attend to our own business and advise our competitors to do the same. Owing to cutting prices 40 to 50 per cent, we have sold more goods in the past three weeks than all other shoe dealers in Decatur combined. Of course, it makes them mad, but they are silly to cry. They forget that Mr. L. L. Ferriss has sold more good goods in this town in this town in the past twenty-five years than any man living. They also forget that to maintain a "crossroads" fame necessitates the handling (as we do) of the very best and most desirable goods manufactured. We still have \$25,000 worth of goods that must be closed out once regardless of our competitors. Sorry for them, of course, but we can't always be expected to protect them. See our large advertisement. Respectfully, FERRISS & LATHAM, 145 East Main Street.

An Event at Lovington.

One of the most important events in amusement circles in Lovington for some time will be the opening of the new music hall on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Dec. 25, 26, 27 and 28. Goddard and Carleton have been engaged to give a performance. The entertainment will be under the auspices of the Union Band.

A Runaway. J. H. Jessup, the dairyman, left his horse while he went into Shellabarger's mill yesterday. When he came out the horse had run off, going south on North Water street and hitting about half the telegraph poles with the wagon. The animal was stopped on East Main street after considerable damage had been done the rig.

Chicago Market.

The following were the closing quotations in Chicago at 1:15 p. m. yesterday, received by G. C. Caldwell, secretary Decatur Grain Co.:

WHEAT—Dec. 77½c; Jan. 78½c; May, 82½c. CORN—Dec., 34½c; Jan., 31½c; May, 33½c. OATS—Dec., 20½c; Jan., 21c; May, 22½c. POKE—Jan., \$9.30; Feb., \$9.37; May, \$9.70. LARD—Jan. \$5.91; Feb., \$5.95; May, \$6.05. RIBS—Jan., \$4.75; Feb., \$4.77; May, \$4.95.

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS: Live Stock—Hog., 10,000; market firm. Cattle, 2,000; market steady. Grain—Car Lots—Winter Wheat, 28; Spring Wheat, 76; Corn, 271; Oats, 147.

CANDY FOR CHRISTMAS.

Candy is something that everybody buys for Christmas. Nothing is nicer than a box of Delle Harris' Choice Creams for a gift. Look at the mountain of choice cream candy at 15c a pound in the window. Call in and look at the grand display. North end of Central Block. Delle Harris.

Hello! V. H. Parke & Son will sell you best clean lump coal at \$1.70 per ton delivered. Spot cash. First come first served. Telephone 55.



Cancer of the Nose.

In 1875 a sore appeared on my nose, and grew rapidly. As my father had cancer, and my husband died of it, I became alarmed, and consulted my physician. His treatment did no good, and the sore grew larger and worse in every way, until I had concluded that it was to die from its effects. I was persuaded to take S. S. S., and a few bottles cured me. This was after all the doctors and other medicines had failed. I have had no return of the cancer.

MRS. M. T. MABEN. Woodbury, Hall County, Texas.

Treatise on Cancer mailed free, SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., Atlanta, Ga.

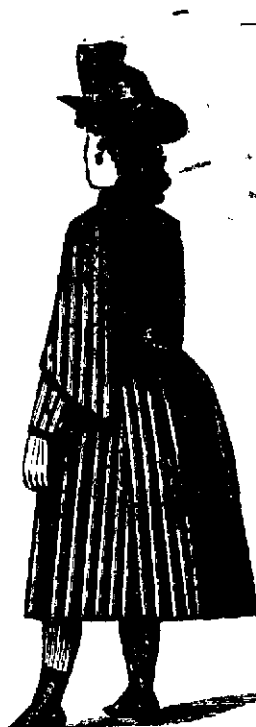
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Scarlet, Typhoid and all Malarial Fevers.

WARRANTED. The only true Malarial Antidote. It is a positive and sure cure. Dr. Holman's Stomach and Liver Pad is a sovereign remedy for Chills and Fever,

and every other form of Malaria, all stomach and liver troubles, nervous and sick headaches, chronic diarrhea, children's diseases, and many of the complaints peculiar to females. Special instructions and advice free of charge by addressing G. W. Holman, M. D., Fullerton, Cal. or on application. For sale by all first-class druggists, or sent by mail postpaid on receipt of price. "Regular" pad, \$2. Beware of bogus and imitation pads. Ask for Dr. Holman's take no other.

A BIG DEAL



NO 5014



NO 5002

75 Ladies Newmarkets, Jacquard Stripe, Fine Plush Sleeves \$12.

25 English Walking Coats, Walker's Seal Plush, \$15.

Have just received the LATEST NOVELTIES in Newmarkets, with Plush and Kangaroo Sleeves, to which we call Special Attention.

LINN & SCRUGGS.

WHY NOT SAVE MONEY?

Why Not, When You Can Effect the Saving on

The Necessities of Life?

It is a positive, undenied and undeniable fact that Logan & Beik have saved money to every consumer of Groceries who has bought of them. They are the pioneers of Low Prices in Groceries, have cut the figures down on the Staples and necessities as well as on the luxuries, and now propose to make a still deeper cut. What is the sense of paying high prices when you can get the same goods for lower prices of us? Our Sugars are guaranteed free from adulteration and fully as good as any other grocer sells you for more money. Look at the following list of prices:

SUGARS.	FLOUR.
Granulated Sugar, 12½ lbs for..... \$1.00	Best roller process Flour, per sack, 40
A Sugar, 13 lbs for..... 1.00	patents..... \$1.05
14 lbs white extra C Sugar..... 1.00	
15 lbs C Sugar..... 1.00	
Good Syrups, per gallon..... 40	
COFFEE PACKAGES.	SOAPS.
XXXX..... 25c	8 bar Logan & Beik's..... 25c
Arbuckle's..... 25c	8 bar Laid's Bros'..... 25c
Lion..... 25c	6 Lemon soap..... 25c
Queen B..... 25c	
Bonola..... 25c	
Good Coffee in Bulk..... 25c	
TEAS.	MISCELLANEOUS.
Japan..... 15c to 50c	Fancy raisins, new..... 10c
Imperial (best)..... 50c	New French pines..... 25c
Y. H..... 50c to 50c	Sardines, 7c, or 4 for..... 25c
Japan Tea in 1 lb cans..... 40c	Canned peaches in syrup..... 25c
	Canned black berries..... 25c
	Canned corn..... 15c
	Baking powder in pound cans..... 15c
	Baking powder in bulk..... 15c
	Mackerel in pound cans..... 10c
	Star tobacco..... 45c
	Cherry tobacco..... 45c
	Big 4 tobacco..... 10c
	Horse Shoe tobacco, per pound..... 15c
	Lemons, per doz..... 25c
	Brooms..... 10c

THESE PRICES ARE FOR SPOT CASH.

Fresh Oysters and Celery received every day, and all goods at proportionately low prices. Goods delivered to all parts of the city.

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